

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS20002

The Idaho Commission on Aging proposes state statutory language changes in an effort to align Idaho statutes with those outlined in the Older Americans Act and reflect national federal systems change initiatives for Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC).

The Administration on Aging and Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services share the vision of ADRCs as integral components of health and long-term care reform and the development of effectively managed person-centered service systems at national and state levels.

These person-centered systems are envisioned to: optimize choice and independence; be served by an adequate workforce; be transparent; encourage personal responsibility; provide coordinated, high quality care; be financially sustainable; and utilize health information technology. ADRCs have a critical role in supporting this long-term reform by improving the ability of state and local governments to effectively manage the system, monitor program quality and measure responsiveness of state and local systems of care.

During the 2006 legislative session, HCR 52 was passed supporting the establishment of an ADRC in Idaho. The addition of definitions for Aging and Disability Resource Center, Information and Assistance, and Case Management through RS20002, supports the functionality of Idaho's Aging and Disability Resource Centers' services and supports delivery systems.

FISCAL NOTE

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